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B. Relation of Proposed Project to OHV Recreation

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C. Identification of Needs

The Victor Valley Search and Rescue team conducts several safety events in the communities and schools located in the Victor Valley. Team members often use Off-Highway equipment to show children and adults the safety equipment that should be worn while operating any OHV equipment. Team members use OHV equipment at the elementary school safety fairs to provide children the opportunity to receive supervised instruction and demonstration on how to mount and dismount OHV equipment.

The Victor Valley Search and Rescue Team is requesting grant funding for two 4X4 Utility Quads to be used by search and rescue team members for the search and rescue mission in the off highway areas, as well as for public events, safety fairs, and child safety fairs.

The Victor Valley Search and Rescue Team is also requesting grant funding for the training of two search and rescue members to become ATV Institute instructors.

D. Location of Training Services

The Victor Valley Search and Rescue Team will be conducting safety fairs at the schools located throughout the Victor Valley. The safety fair events include events at Lomas School in Victorville, Victor Valley Christian School in Victorville, Hollyvale Elementary School in Hesperia.

The Victor Valley Search and Rescue Team will also be conducting safety fair events at the Mall of Victor Valley, City of Hesperia, and additional locations throughout the year.

The Victor Valley Search and Rescue Team will be conducting several OHV public contact events in the Johnson Valley OHV Area, Juniper Flats OHV Area, and Stoddard Wells Area. Team members will speak to the public about safe of OHV and additional legal riding areas located in San Bernardino County.

E. OHV Safety, Environmental Responsibility, and Respect Private Property

The Victor Valley Search and Rescue Team will use programs already established and in place, such as "Tread lightly" and "Pack in / Pack out" and "Hug a tree". Team members will provide literature to public during safety fair events and schedules OHV community contacts. Team members will provide information to the public about legal riding areas. Team members will contact the public about illegal riding and unauthorized land use in regards to the San Bernardino County Land Use County Codes. Team members will help identify the land intrusion problems are that currently in the local communities and surrounding BLM and USFS area.

Members of the Victor Valley Search and Rescue team will help educate the public about protecting the natural environment during community safety fairs. Teams members will teach children and adults the importance of staying on designated OHV trails and operating OHV equipment only in designated OHV area.

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- 1 Optional Project-Specific Application Documents**
- 2 Optional Project-specific Maps**

Project Cost Estimate for Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program - 2008/2009
 Agency: San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department
 Application: Education & Safety, Victor Valley

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| FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: | | Version # _____ | APP # _____ |
| APPLICANT NAME : | San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department | | |
| PROJECT TITLE : | Education & Safety, Victor Valley | PROJECT NUMBER (Division use only) : | |
| PROJECT TYPE : | <input type="checkbox"/> Acquisition <input type="checkbox"/> Development <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education & Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Ground Operations <input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement <input type="checkbox"/> Planning <input type="checkbox"/> Restoration | | |
| PROJECT DESCRIPTION : | <p>The geographic jurisdiction of the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Victor Valley Station Search and Rescue Team comprises over 1,419 square miles of wide-open desert and mountain land. The greater Victor Valley region contains the largest Off Highway Vehicle (OHV) recreation areas in the continental U.S. This particular aspect draws OHV enthusiasts from the counties of San Diego, Orange, Los Angeles, Riverside as well as our own county residents and those traveling from Nevada and Arizona.</p> <p>The Victor Valley Station Search and Rescue area of responsibility has shown a substantial increase in recreational use over the past year. It is expected to rise over the years to come due to passing of Riverside County's and several local cities' strict OHV ordinance.</p> <p>Often, users of the OHV areas will stray outside the boundaries of the designated use area, become disoriented and lost. This is an ever increasing issue, as the developments come closer to open OHV areas.</p> <p>The Victor Valley Search and Rescue Team is primarily responsible for the unincorporated area of the Victor Valley and supplement the Search and Rescue units throughout the entire San Bernardino County. In our area, we have documented approximately 23 law enforcement's search and rescue calls for service and 16 community based safety events in 2008. Team members use Off-Highway Vehicle during these events.</p> <p>The Victor Valley Search and Rescue Team have attended several safety fairs in the communities to educate children and adults about the safe operation of OHV equipment. The team members tell the children and adults about the safety equipment that should be worn while operating any OHV. Team members tell children they should allow ride under the supervision of an adult. The team members pass out maps that provide locations of legal OHV areas within the San Bernardino County.</p> <p>The Victor Valley Search and Rescue Team use Off-Highway Vehicles to assist in the deployment of personnel during searches. The search and rescue team members have attended ATV safety classes to certify them in the safe operation of Off-Highway Vehicles. The team often uses OHV equipment to assist in the search and rescue operations.</p> <p>The Victor Valley Search and Rescue Team often conduct public safety contacts in the Johnson Valley and Stoddard Valley OHV areas. Team members conducted an overnight event in the Stoddard Valley OHV area in November of 2008. Team members talked to the public about safe operation of OHV equipment. Team members assisted in calls for service in regards to downed riders requiring medical aid. Team members also assisted in locating riders who have become lost and unable to find their way to a safe location.</p> | | |

| | Line Item | Qty | Rate | UOM | Grant Request | Match | Total |
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| DIRECT EXPENSES | | | | | | | |
| Program Expenses | | | | | | | |

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| 1 | Staff | | | | | | |
| | Other-Search and Rescue team members Notes : Search and Rescue team members volunteer time used as grant allocation match. Team members volunteer time at all safety events and search and rescue events throughout the Victor Valley and San Bernardino County | 250.000 | 24.790 | HRS | 0.00 | 6,198.00 | 6,198.00 |
| 2 | Contracts | | | | | | |
| 3 | Materials / Supplies | | | | | | |
| | Emergency Medical Supplies Notes : First aid supplies/kits for first responders. | 2.000 | 150.000 | EA | 300.00 | 0.00 | 300.00 |
| 4 | Equipment Use Expenses | | | | | | |
| | Vehicle Operations and Maintenance Notes : Fuel and maintenance cost associated with search and rescue operations | 1.000 | 2500.000 | MISC | 2,500.00 | 0.00 | 2,500.00 |
| 5 | Equipment Purchases | | | | | | |
| | Other-4x4 Utility Quads Notes : Quads will be used to demonstrate safe OHV operations. Quads will be used by search and rescue personnel during infield operations. | 2.000 | 7800.000 | EA | 15,600.00 | 0.00 | 15,600.00 |
| 6 | Others | | | | | | |
| | Training Notes : Grant funding to send two search and rescue team members to training to become certified as ATV Safety Instructors | 1.000 | 1000.000 | MISC | 1,000.00 | 0.00 | 1,000.00 |
| 7 | Administrative Costs | | | | | | |
| | Administrative Costs-Administrative Cost Notes : Administrative costs for grant administration | 25.000 | 24.390 | HRS | 0.00 | 610.00 | 610.00 |

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| Total Program Expenses | | | | | 19,400.00 | 6,808.00 | 26,208.00 |
| TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES | | | | | 19,400.00 | 6,808.00 | 26,208.00 |
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|-------------------------------|------------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------|
| DIRECT EXPENSES | | | | | |
| Program Expenses | | | | | |
| 1 | Staff | 0.00 | 6,198.00 | 6,198.00 | |
| 2 | Contracts | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | |
| 3 | Materials / Supplies | 300.00 | 0.00 | 300.00 | |
| 4 | Equipment Use Expenses | 2,500.00 | 0.00 | 2,500.00 | |
| 5 | Equipment Purchases | 15,600.00 | 0.00 | 15,600.00 | |
| 6 | Others | 1,000.00 | 0.00 | 1,000.00 | |
| 7 | Administrative Costs | 0.00 | 610.00 | 610.00 | |
| Total Program Expenses | | 19,400.00 | 6,808.00 | 26,208.00 | |
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ITEM 1 and ITEM 2

ITEM 1

- a. ITEM 1 - Has a CEQA Notice of Determination (NOD) been filed for the Project? ☐ Yes ☒ No
(Please select Yes or No)

ITEM 2

- b. ITEM 2 - Are the proposed activities a "Project" under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378? ☐ Yes ☒ No
(Please select Yes or No)
- c. The Application is requesting funds solely for personnel and support to enforce OHV laws and ensure public safety. These activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. (Please select Yes or No) ☒ Yes ☐ No
- d. Other. Explain why proposed activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. DO NOT complete ITEMS 3 – 9

ITEM 3 - Impact of this Project on Wetlands

ITEM 4 - Cumulative Impacts of this Project

ITEM 5 - Soil Impacts

ITEM 6 - Damage to Scenic Resources

ITEM 7 - Hazardous Materials

Is the proposed Project Area located on a site included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code (hazardous materials)? (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

If YES, describe the location of the hazard relative to the Project site, the level of hazard and the measures to be taken to minimize or avoid the hazards.

ITEM 8 - Potential for Adverse Impacts to Historical or Cultural Resources

Would the proposed Project have potential for any substantial adverse impacts to historical or cultural resources? (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

If YES, describe the potential impacts and for any substantially adverse changes in the significance of historical or cultural resources and measures to be taken to minimize or avoid the impacts.

ITEM 9 - Indirect Significant Impacts

CEQA/NEPA Attachment

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1. Evaluation Criteria - Q 1.

The Applicant is applying for the following type of Project: (Check the one most appropriate.) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ Education – Applicants shall only respond to items 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11
☒ Safety – Applicants shall only respond to items 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 12, 13, 14, and 15

1. As calculated on the Project Cost Estimate, the percentage of the cost of the Project covered by the Applicant is 0

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ 76% or more (10 points) ☐ 51% - 75% (5 points)
☐ 26% - 50% (3 points) ☒ 25% (Match minimum) (No points)

2. Evaluation Criteria - Q 2.

2. For Applicant's OHV Grant Projects which reached the end of the Project performance period within the last two years, the percentage of all deliverables accomplished 2

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ 100% of Deliverable accomplished (5 points)
☐ 75% to 99% of Deliverables accomplished (3 points)
☐ Less than 75% of Deliverables accomplished (No points)
☒ First time Applicants and past Applicants with no active Grant projects within the last two years (2 points)

3. Evaluation Criteria - Q 3. (FOR DIVISION USE ONLY)

3. Previous Year Performance 3

(FOR DIVISION USE ONLY) (Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☒ In the previous year the Applicant has been responsive and communicated effectively with the assigned OHMVR Grant Administrator by phone, email or personal visit (3 points)
☐ First time Applicants and past Applicants with no active Grant projects within the last two years (2 points)
☐ In the previous year the Applicant has not been responsive (No points)

4. Evaluation Criteria - Q 4.

4. The Project will utilize partnerships to successfully accomplish the Project. The number of partner organizations that will participate in the Project are 2

(Check the one most appropriate.) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ 4 or more (4 points) ☒ 2 to 3 (2 points)
☐ 1 (1 point) ☐ None (No points)

List partner organization(s)

BLM Barstow office and the USFS.

5. Evaluation Criteria - Q 5.

5. The Project addresses the following types of OHV Recreation 5

(Check all that apply.) Scoring: 1 point each (Please select applicable values)

- ☒ ATV ☒ 4X4
☒ M.C. ☒ Recreation Utility Vehicle (RUV)

- ☐ Snowmobile
☐ Other (Specify)

☒ Dune buggy, rail

6. Evaluation Criteria - Q 6.

6. The Project was developed with public input employing the following 1

(Check all that apply) Scoring: 1 point each, up to a maximum of 2 points (Please select applicable values)

- ☒ Meeting(s) with the general public to discuss Project (1 point)
☐ Conference call(s) with interested parties (1 point)
☐ Meeting(s) with stakeholders (1 point)

Explain each statement that was checked

The upcoming grants application and project development was discussed during open forum at the monthly search and rescue meeting held at the Victor Valley Sheriffs Station. The topics discussed were the increased involvement in public safety fairs throughout the San Bernardino County and local elementary schools. The development of topics to be covered at local events was discussed by active search and rescue team members. Team members believe the use of current programs such as "Tread lightly" and "Pack and Pack out" as well as helping child and adults to understand the safe operating guidelines of their OHV will greatly increase the safe OHV use by the enthusiast coming to the Victor Valley area.

7. Evaluation Criteria - Q 7. (Education Project ONLY)

7. The Project incorporates the following, clearly identifiable and/or measurable, elements

(Check all that apply) (Please select applicable values)

- ☐ Process of researching issues and audience (2 points)
☐ Objectives (2 points)
☐ Testing process to ensure actions are effective (2 points)
☐ Plan to implement the Project (2 points)
☐ Evaluation and feedback of the process (2 points)

8. Evaluation Criteria - Q 8. (Education Project ONLY)

8. Total number of points of contact the Project is anticipated to reach

(Check the one most appropriate.) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ Greater than 10,000 (4 points) ☐ 1,000 to 10,000 (3 points)
☐ 100 to 1,000 (2 points) ☐ 20 to 100 (1 point)
☐ 0 to 20 (No points)

9. Evaluation Criteria - Q 9. (Education Project ONLY)

9. Total time a participant will have exposure to the Project's message or training

(Check the one item of highest point value that applies.) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ Greater than 2 hours (4 points)
☐ 1 hour to 2 hours (3 points)
☐ 5 minutes to less than 1 hour (2 points)
☐ 1 minute to less than 5 minutes (A Project for maps will fall under this category) (1 point)
☐ Less than 1 minute (No points)

10. Evaluation Criteria - Q 10. (Education Project ONLY)

10. The Project will utilize the following methods of education

(Check all that apply) Scoring: 2 point each up to a maximum of 14 points (Please select applicable values)

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Hands on training | <input type="checkbox"/> Tool kits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Handouts | <input type="checkbox"/> Events |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Internet messaging/CDs | <input type="checkbox"/> Signage |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Advertising | <input type="checkbox"/> Radio/TV |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community involvement | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public relations/media | |

11. Evaluation Criteria - Q 11. (Education Project ONLY)

11. The Project provides direct support for delivery of ATV Safety Institute and/or Motorcycle Safety Foundation training

(Check the one most appropriate.) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ No (No points) ☐ Yes (2 points)

12. Evaluation Criteria - Q 12. & 13. (Safety Project ONLY)

12. The Project will utilize personnel trained to the following level 5

(Check the one most appropriate.) (Please select one from list)

- ☒ Emergency Medical Technician level, or higher (5 points) ☐ First Responder level (2 points)
☐ First Aid and CPR (1 points) ☐ No training (No points)

13. The Project will provide search and rescue as follows 5

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☒ 24 hours, 7 days per week (5 points) ☐ Less than 24 hours, 7 days per week (4 points)
☐ Less than 24 hours, less than 7 days per week (2 points) ☐ On special occasions/events only (No points)

13. Evaluation Criteria - Q 14. (Safety Project ONLY)

14. The Project will have the majority of personnel trained in the following areas 12

(Check all that apply) Scoring: 2 points each up to a maximum of 16 points (Please select applicable values)

- | | |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Radio communication | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tracking skills |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Avalanche rescue | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Navigation training |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Swift water rescue | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ATV certification |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dog handling | <input type="checkbox"/> Motorcycle certification |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rope skills | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 x 4/Off-Road training |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wilderness search and rescue | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |

14. Evaluation Criteria - Q 15. (Safety Project ONLY)

15. The Project will have resources that are equipped and trained for rescue in the following environmental conditions* 8

(Check all that apply) (Please select applicable values)

- ☒ Type 1 – Extreme Condition (including but not limited to): Altitude (generally 7000 feet+) or Snow, Ice, Desert, Heat, Heavy ground cover, Steep difficult terrain. (2 points)
☒ Type 2 – Rugged Terrain. Rugged conditions, Altitude (generally under 7000 feet), Heat, Cold concerns, Moderate to heavy ground cover. (2 points)
☒ Type 3 – Moderate/Gentle Terrain. Gently rolling terrain, Open spaces, Maintained trailheads, and Agricultural areas. (2 points)

- ☒ Type 4 – Urban. High traffic, Urban office complexes, man-made surfaces, Public interaction and Park trails.
(2 points)

*** From the Governor's Office of Emergency Services – Mutual Aid Guidelines, Search and Rescue, Off-Highway Vehicles**